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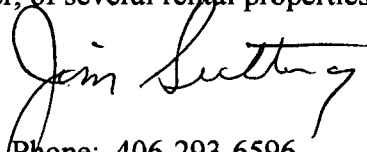
I understand from my renters that EPA has tested several of the homes I own. I have not received any information regarding the results of these tests from EPA and am wondering if you could inform me as to the status of the following properties, both the houses and the yards.

1. The four-bedroom house at 817 Louisiana Avenue
2. The three-bedroom house at 821 Louisiana Avenue
3. The three-bedroom house at 133 White Avenue
4. The two bedroom at 619 Main Street
5. The three bedroom at 1210 Nevada Street
6. The two-bedroom at 761 East 5th Street
7. The two-bedroom at 765 East 5th Street

I am considering allowing EPA to tear down the following houses since an EPA employee tested one or more of my houses at 761 East 5th Street and 765 East 5th Street. The third house is located at 1210 Nevada Street and since I have seen a considerable amount of vermiculite in the yard; I suspect it is in the attic also.

Please let me know if EPA is interested in taking the above houses and providing me with a fair market value for each house. I am also interested in knowing if there is a provision allowing for a tax break since these houses are part of the EPA asbestos clean-up plan. One of my main considerations is that I may be subject to Capital Gains taxes. By giving up these houses, I am eliminating a source of income and would appreciate any information you can provide me regarding this.

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EPA has never notified me of any testing they have done on my rentals with the exception of 765 East 5th Street. My only source of information has come from my renters.